

TRUMAN SPURS ARMY TRAINING FOR ALL

Plays Down Military Angle

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. — Joining the Army and Navy "brass hat" drive for military training for all American youth, President Truman yesterday urged a universal training plan.

Such a step would be a break with American tradition which has opposed peacetime military training.

Truman tried to play down the military aspect of the new plan by saying that he did not want "military" to be part of the plan. He said he wanted training with a "disciplinary approach of getting along with one another, informing them of their physical makeup, and what it means to take care of this temple which God gave us."

Truman's statement was seen as a bid to the new GOP-controlled Congress for the passage of universal training, and an effort

to reassure the rest of the world which has been watching American military preparations with alarm.

Meeting informally with the nine members of his new advisory commission on universal training, Truman told them the military phase is "incidental to what I have in mind." A White House announcement yesterday naming members of the commission had referred to it as the advisory commission on universal "military" training. But today Truman said, "I want that word military left out."

Previous Congresses have rebuffed attempts by brass hats to get universal military training. But the new GOP-controlled Congress is understood to be in a favorable mood for such legislation. Truman, it is said,

wants to have a plan ready by January for congressional action and approval.

Truman said he feared that without such a universal training program under the supervision of the Army and Navy, the country might suffer the fate of "great republics in the past which always passed out when their peoples became prosperous and fat and lazy and were not willing to assume their responsibilities." He pointed to the Roman Empire as an example of what he meant.

Truman's action is seen as greatly speeding up the growing militarization of American life which has been going on since the end of the war.

Observers were curious to know how this jibed with official policy on peace.



Born in a Coal Bin: Nineteen hundred and forty-six years after another infant was born in a stable, this baby was born to Mrs. Faustina Games in a Fort Wayne, Ind., coal bin. The Games family of nine, desperate for a place to live, had rented a 9x12 foot coal bin at \$40 a month. Welfare officials moved the mother and child to St. Joseph's hospital after the birth.

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WORLD EVENTS

French Troops War on Indo-China

COMMUNISTS HIT ACTION

Open war has broken out in Indo-China between troops of France and the Viet Nam Republic according to French dispatches by United Press.

A communique from the French High Commissariat said the first casualty of the bombardment was Commander Sainteny, Commissioner of the Republic in Indo-China. Hanoi's water and electric supplies were reported cut by the shelling and telephone service was knocked out.

French news agency dispatches from Hanoi said French troops and Viet Nam forces fought yesterday over the city's streets. They said Hanoi was a "dead city," with barricades in the streets.

The Indo-China question is a hot political issue in France. Communist members walked out of a meeting of the National Assembly Committee on National Defense today during a stormy debate on the situation.

The Communists objected to a motion for the government to send French troops in China a Christmas greeting, praising "their efforts toward maintaining in the extreme Orient the civilizing and pacifying presence of France."

They maintained that the motion tended to disavow the policy of cooperation with the Republic of Viet Nam, and rejected a Socialist move to delay a vote on the proposed greeting. After the Communists walked out, however, the motion was passed.

Maurice Schuman and Robert Le-court, leaders of the Popular Republican Movement (MRP), called on Premier Leon Blum to express their "grave concern" over the situation in Indo-China.

The executive committee of the rightist PRL Party adopted a resolution urging "the necessary measures to reestablish the authority and sovereignty of France."

Adm. Thierry D'Argenlieu left by plane today to return to his post as Governor-General of Indo-China. Left elements in France accused him of suppressing Viet Nam hopes for liberty at the instigation of the bank of Indo-China. He was supposed to have left yesterday but was delayed by a summons to confer with Premier Blum.

France recognized the Viet Nam Republic, but as a part of the French Empire, months ago. The present trouble, preceded by sporadic small-scale fighting centers mainly on military control of the rich province of Cochinchina.

That province soon will vote on whether to join the Viet Nam Republic or remain in the Indo-Chinese Federation of the French Empire. Viet Nam also disagrees with the French colonial administration's view that France should control the finances and policies of all the Indo-Chinese states.



Christmas Present: Children who were victims of fascist oppression will get Christmas gifts this year from the CIO Teachers Union. Children representing various relief agencies in New York were on hand at union headquarters Thursday to receive checks from the \$2,000 fund contributed by the teachers. Above (left to right), Abraham Lederman, secretary of the union drops checks into the red Christmas boots of: Kong Liu, 8, who was born in Shanghai, and represented the China Aid Council; Trilby Cox, 7, whose check will go to children whose miner fathers were killed during a strike this year in Johannesburg, South Africa; Stephanie Leventis, 5, and Mary Lou Leventis, 8, from the American Relief for Greek Democracy; Malvin Vukovich, 4, American Committee for Yugoslav Relief and Nina Russin, 13, Jewish Council for Russian Relief. Gifts will also go to Spanish refugee children in homes in St. Goin, France, and Jewish refugee children in Silesian and French hospitals, and youngsters in Poland and Austria. Fifty dollars will go to the Mario Russo Memorial Fund for the four children of the United Electrical worker killed last September by a Phelps-Dodge goon, in New Jersey.



WORLD BRIEFS

NAZI UNDERGROUND IN SWEDEN BARED

NAZI fugitives from Germany are members of an underground gang in Sweden, Moscow radio charged, adding that at least 200 of the Nazis have succeeded in returning from Sweden to Germany.

EGYPT'S opposition Wafdist bloc adopted a resolution charging Premier Mahmoud Fahmy Nokrashy Pasha's cabinet was "unrepresentative of the nation's will" and demanding a general election under the supervision of a neutral government.

BRITISH prime minister Attlee announced in Commons that Britain was planning independence for Burma. Churchill accused the government of bringing about "the decline and fall of the British

empire."

COMMUNIST troops in China advanced near Hwantsun, important station on the way to Peiping, according to United Press.

ITALY will withdraw her ambassador from Spain in keeping with the United Nations General Assembly decision, prime minister De Gasperi announced.

THE BOLIVIAN government announced it will bring court action against any tin miners' union member obeying union leader Juan Lechin's proposal for sympathy strikes with 1,500 miners at the Patino mine.

JOSEF STALIN will be 67 years old today.

UN Atom Commission Accepts Principles of Baruch Plan

By Joseph Clark

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec. 20.—The Atomic Energy Commission of the United Nations voted today to accept a Canadian amendment which approves the principles on which the Baruch atomic energy plan is based. There were ten votes in favor

Poland abstained and the Soviet Union did not participate in the vote.

Before the vote on the Canadian amendment, Gromyko asked to be recorded neither for nor against, nor even as abstaining. "I'm not taking part in this decision," he declared.

Discussion centered around a Canadian amendment to the Baruch proposals. In addition to approving the principles on which the U. S. resolution is based, the Canadian proposal referred the U. S. resolution to the Working Committee. This committee was instructed to make the wording of the Baruch

resolution conform with the General Assembly resolution on the reduction of armaments.

At previous meetings of the Atomic Energy Commission, Baruch had urged an immediate vote on his plan. In his opening statement today, Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko asked for a delay of six or seven days to permit a "more searching analysis" before deciding on the question.

It seemed evident Gromyko did not want to discuss or vote on any matter affecting the substance of the Baruch resolution until he had further instructions from his gov-

ernment.

The stand taken by Gen. McNaughton for Canada was at variance with that pressed by the U. S. delegation. McNaughton agreed much more consideration was necessary to see whether the Baruch plan agrees or not with the disarmament resolution of the General Assembly.

An amendment by Poland's Oscar Lange to refer the Baruch plan to committee for consideration was voted down 10 to 2 (Poland and the USSR in favor) prior to the vote on the Canadian amendment.

France's Alexandre Parodi noted the wide area of agreement already reached in discussion of the question. There is agreement on a system of international control and inspection. There is agreement that the veto will not affect the day-to-day operation of control agencies.

But the difficulty still lay, Parodi said, in reaching agreement on whether the veto would apply to sanctions against violators. He expressed the opinion that if the same spirit of cooperation prevailed on this as on previously contested questions, that, too, could be solved.

Today's action of the Atomic Energy Commission still leaves the main problem to be solved, that is, reaching a decision on a specific system of atomic energy control. Both the Atomic Energy Commission, and the UN Security Council to which it must report, have a long way to go before final decisions are reached.

Kitchen Tools 3,000 Years Old Found in USSR

By Walter Cronkite

By United Press

MOSCOW, Dec. 20.—A dramatic race between the science of the past and the technology of the future is taking place in the Republic of Azerbaijan, north of the Iranian province of Azerbaijan, on the Caspian Sea as Soviet archeologists work to complete the excavation of an important discovery before the new dam is completed.

Workers on the Mingehaur hydroelectric development made the first discovery of old kitchen utensils, personal belongings and weapons as they cleared a thick forest 50 miles long by 10 miles wide to make room for the dam.

While they continued their work

on the dam and brought it near the point where the locks could be closed and the entire area flooded, archeologists began excavations.

So far they have found nearly 2,000 relics from a civilization that existed probably 3,000 years ago. They have uncovered an unknown city that once thrived where a forest grew a few months ago and which soon will be a lake bed.

Skeletons indicated the city's inhabitants were tall men. Few were less than six feet tall. They were warriors, artists — and dandies. Their burial grounds have revealed gold, silver and bronze earrings; iron bracelets; stone, glass and bone heads; and skillfully engraved signet rings, some of which show engravings of warriors in

combat and hunters grappling with wild beasts.

The excavation of Scythian Neapolis, ancient capital of the Scythians, begun a year ago, is continuing just outside Simferopol, capital of Crimea, and a few miles north of Yalta.

The expedition there has just unearthed perhaps the most important of its finds—a massive stone mausoleum believed to have been built in the third century, B.C., about the middle of the rich and flourishing Scythian period.

The mausoleum was the burial ground of the Scythian chiefs for six centuries. It was a virtual treasure trove of gold, precious stones and cut gems, more than 1,000 of which have been found.

A carved and gilded wooden

sarcophagus occupied the center of the lower floor and near it were the remains of the chief's suite and the skeleton of his horse buried with him.

Coats and trousers of the warriors were covered with golden adornments in the form of miniature shields and engraved with the sun god, lions' heads, stars and bees.

The Scythian Neapolis expedition is led by Pavel Shultz, a Soviet hero who lost all his fingers as a result of exposure when he was stranded three days, behind the enemy lines outside Leningrad where he was leading marauding partisans.

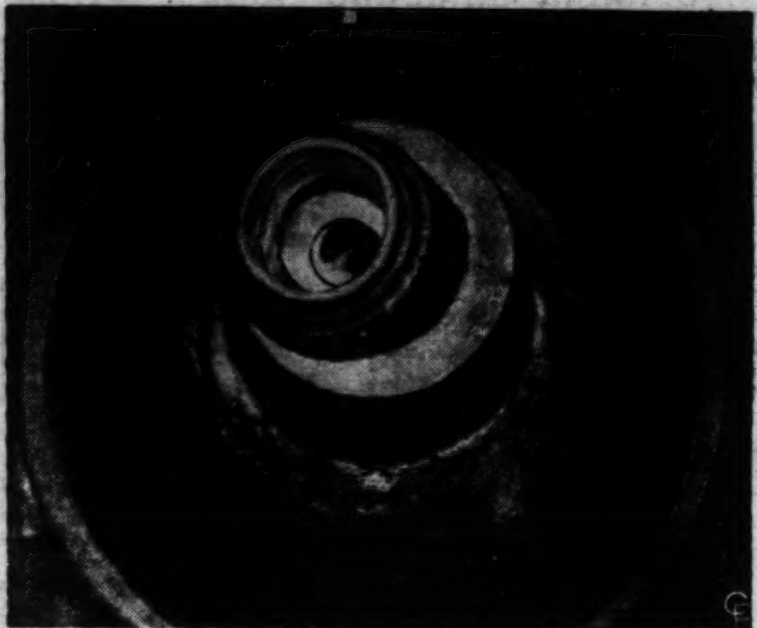
Despite his handicap he has learned to write and to sketch his archeological findings.

LABOR and the NATION

War Dep't Aide Admits Jimcrow In U.S. Troops Abroad Hurts Morale

By Fred Vast

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Allegations in the Meader report slandering Negro troops in Europe were refuted today as "distorted, erroneous and hearsay" by a War Department official just back from an overseas tour. "I see no reason for singling out the Negro soldier," declared



Pocket Radio: Eye-like object is a balometer, heart of a new device which makes radio reception possible without tubes, electric current, antenna or condensers. Chemistry professor Dr. Donald H. Andrews of Johns Hopkins University made the discovery while working on the balometer which was developed during the war for "seeing" objects in the dark.

Marcus H. Ray, civilian aide to the Secretary of War. "I found no adverse attitude among the German people." The report in question was written by George Meader, chief counsel of the Senate War Investigating Committee, who made a brief trip to Germany recently. It

also attacked Jewish displaced persons. "There was considerable resentment among Negro troops to the Meader report," Ray told reporters.

Ray said he found morale of Negro troops lower in Europe than the Pacific because of greater discrimination in Germany. He recommended better recreation facilities open to all races, closer integration with white troops, more Negro officers, establishment of Negro military police and entry of Negroes into the occupation command's constabulary.

He denied Meader's assertion that Gen. Joseph McNarney, European Theater commander, wants to send Negro troops home. Ray talked with McNarney during the tour.

There is no disproportionately large number of Negro GIs, as claimed by Meader, who said this is the major difficulty. Army figures reveal Negroes are only 11 percent of the armed forces in Europe, lower than

in a number of other theaters.

Meader also objected to fraternization of Negroes with German girls but Ray could not find any complaints. Ray conceded the larger amount of crime attributed to Negroes is "probably due to prejudice of white MPs" who are quicker to arrest colored soldiers.

"Germans did not blame Negroes for crimes any more than they did the white soldiers," he reported.

Among the factors affecting morale in Germany was the ban on Negroes at the Red Cross Club in Frankfurt, which had been abolished.

Steps are being taken to train two companies of Negro MPs in Germany as a result of Ray's recommendations.

In contrast he found morale, discipline and training at a much higher level in the Mediterranean theater, where qualified Negroes are assigned to headquarters and Negro MPs used.

Best conditions exist in the Pacific, particularly Hawaii, where recreational and rest facilities are used by all groups. Negroes are assigned to more essential and varied duties and combat units. Housing at Schofield Barracks is assigned without regard to color and there is no friction, the Commanding General reported.

Ray said the army is launching an educational campaign among troops in Japan to counteract anti-Negro propaganda which has had marked effect on the Japanese people. The program, however, will not include the Japanese.

Another reason for low GI morale is the low ratio of Negro officers, which is one percent, while colored

enlisted men comprise 12.5 percent. Ray observed the high point in racial harmony was reached during the war in mixed combat units.

"Since then there has been a lessening of understanding because white and Negro GIs don't live and work together," he said.

"We could dispose of the problem by eliminating separate units."

Bank Employees Win Raises, Xmas Bonus

A general 20 percent raise, \$10 for all earning less than \$50 per week, and a six percent Christmas bonus, was won by members of Financial Employees Guild, Local 96, UOPWA-CIO who are employees of the East Brooklyn Savings Bank, in a new contract, the union announced yesterday.

A minimum \$35 per week starting salary was agreed on and all raises are retroactive to Nov. 16.

Western Union Cable Workers Win Raise

Western Union cable employees received a raise of \$7.40 a week and a cut in hours from 40 to 35, it was announced yesterday by Larry Kelly, vice-president of the CIO American Communications Association.

Other improvements for the 250 workers include elimination of certain wage inequalities, improved vacation, holiday and job protection clauses. The company also agreed to stop diverting its London cables to Washington and to route them through New York.

Democrats in Chicago Name 'Independent' for Mayor

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Responding to pressure of labor, liberal and independent voters here, the Democratic Party took the unprecedented step of naming as its candidate for Mayor an independent Democrat hitherto not closely identified with the Kelly dominated party machine. Recognizing the con-

tention of progressive and independent voters that the re-nomination of Mayor Kelly to succeed himself would invite certain victory for Republican candidate, Russell Root, the Democratic County Central Committee today unanimously nominated Martin H. Kennelly, prominent business man and civic figure, for the mayoralty "to be voted on April 1st."

The naming of Kennelly by the Democrats is open acknowledgment that a machine-branded candidate would be defeated, as well as a bid for labor, liberal and progressive votes, independent and Democratic Party.

In accepting the nomination, Kennelly asserted his own independence of the regular party apparatus, taking pains to recall his association in the past with such anti-Kelly Democrats as former Gov. Horner, Judge Jarecki and former State Attorney Thomas Courtney.

OMITS VITAL ISSUES
Notably absent from Kennelly's acceptance speech was any mention of the foremost issues confronting the city's administration such as housing and slum-clearance, improving and extending educational and recreational facilities, the right of the Negro people and abolition of

restrictive covenants, and the rights of labor and abolition of the infamous police "labor detail" headed by Capt. Barnes.

Already editorially endorsed by Marshall Field's Chicago Sun and eth independent Republican Chicago Daily News, Kennelly's stand on these crucial issues is being sought by labor, liberal and progressive circles before joining in support of his candidacy.

Commenting on Kennelly's nomination, the Communist Party here stated that "we cannot join in the general jubilation. Mr. Kennelly is undoubtedly a fine and patriotic gentleman, but where does he stand on the important issues of today?"

"His statement to the Democratic County Central Committee can be praised only for its declared independence of the machine, but freedom from machine domination is not enough."

"Kennelly's statement shows no awareness of the meaning of progressive government based upon advanced social vision and the need of the common people as symbolized by Franklin D. Roosevelt, nor can one overlook Mr. Kennelly's approbation for the rabid anti-New Deal and anti-progressive Chicago Trib-

une, as 'one of our great Chicago newspapers.'

"Chicago needs more than a good businessman to make a good mayor."

Besides heading the Werner-Kennelly Company and allied Van Lines Company, Kennelly is also a member of the Board of Directors of Wilson and Co., one of the big four meat packers.

7 Sue Union for Reinstatement

Seven expelled members of Local 88, Masters, Mates and Pilots (AFL), yesterday instituted a suit for reinstatement. Complaints were served upon Capt. A. E. Oliver and Capt. Harry Martin, president and secretary-business manager of the local and Capt. M. Van Buren, national secretary-treasurer of the MMP.

The seven were candidates for office in the union the results of which are due to be announced on Dec. 26. They charge expulsion was a tactic to prevent union officers from running against administration candidates.

William L. Standard, attorney for the expelled men, has obtained a court order restraining officers of Local 88 from destroying the ballots. A show-cause order was also issued to prevent union officers from interfering in the employment rights of the expelled members.

Meeting in Brooklyn Today Will Spur Worker Sub Drive

Brooklyn Communists will take stock on their drive for 10,000 Worker subscriptions by Jan. 31 at a conference today (Saturday), 1 p.m., at Livingston Manor, 301 Schermerhorn St. Members of the Daily Worker editorial board and of the Communist State Committee will attend the meeting.

Henry Winston, Communist Party national organizational secretary, will also be present. Purpose of the parley is to discuss ways and means to improve the paper from all aspects; circulation, content, etc.



NATIONAL SCENE FORD'S YULE GIFT: 90,000 BEING LAID OFF

FORD MOTOR CO. will lay off 90,000 workers from Dec. 24 to Jan. 2 because of "metal shortages."

GOP WRANGLING flared when Rep. Thomas A. Jenkins of Ohio attacked Gov. Thomas E. Dewey for supporting Rep. Charles A. Halleck of Indiana for the House Republican leadership.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN told the armed forces in a Christmas message that he hoped the nation's gratitude for what the troops are doing "will in some small way compensate for your absence from home, friends, and dear ones on this Christmas Day."

THE CONDITION of Gov. Eugene Talmage is "serious but by no means hopeless," his doctor reported.

Down in Bilbo-land

By Alan Max

All those gifts to Bilbo's "parsonage"—seem to have been a case of the wrong church with an overwhelming pew.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The CIO United Automobile Workers sought \$8,000,000 from the Ford Motor Co. in a suit yesterday in Federal Court for portal-to-portal pay. The suit was by attorney Ben Meyers, on behalf of Local 551 UAW-CIO which represents 2,000 workers at the company's Chicago plant known as Ford City.

Meyers said the suit listed \$4,000,000 due in portal-to-portal pay since 1938, and sought an additional \$4,000,000 in liquidated damages. The case was assigned to Judge Philip Sullivan in U. S. District Court here.

Meyers said the case was substantiated by the U. S. Supreme Court decision approving portal pay for workers of the Mount Clemens, Mich., Pottery Co.

He said that workers at the Ford plant here were forced to stand in line 10 minutes to an hour each day to punch the time clock and to change shifts.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 20.—A \$6,000,000 portal-to-portal pay suit was filed today against the Oliver Corporation on behalf of more than 2,000 employees of plants in three cities.

The suit was filed in Federal District Court here by representatives of the CIO United Farm Equipment and Metal Workers Union, for Oliver employees in South Bend and Shelbyville, Ind., and Charles City, Ia.

It asked \$3,000,000 in wage recoveries and \$3,000,000 damages, plus attorney fees and court costs.

U. S. Labor Leaders Interview Pole Premier

Poland's Premier Osbba Morowski in an interview with delegates of the American Jewish Labor Council in Warsaw, denounced anti-Semitism and stated "the Polish Government recognizes the fact that the fight against anti-Semitism is part of the fight against fascism."

Morowski assured the American trade union leaders that the Polish Government "is ready to do everything necessary in this fight."

The delegation received a warm reception by the Jewish Central Committee of Poland, and by the trade union movement of the country. The union leaders addressed a meeting of Jewish miner delegates in Warsaw, and brought greetings from American labor to numerous Polish trade unions.

The delegates are touring the industrial centers of Breslaw, where they will visit mines and factories employing thousands of Jewish workers. The delegation consisting of eight prominent trade unionists, includes: Joseph Winogradsky, Pietro Lucchi, Abraham Feinglass, Harold Goldstein, Sam Burt and Sam Mindel, of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO; Morris Gainer, Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers, AFL; and Leon Sanders, United Shoe Workers, CIO.

Kid Has Throat Slit—To Save His Life

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 20.—Four-year-old Thomas Stanley had his throat cut with a sharp, nine-inch carving knife today—and it saved his life.

While eating breakfast, the boy attempted to swallow the seed and pulp of half an orange, but it became hopelessly lodged in his throat. He ran choking into the living room, where his father, Charles Stanley, was reading the morning paper.

Stanley pounded his son on the back, but to no avail. Alarmed, he called upstairs to his brother, Dr. Thomas Stanley.

The physician, realizing the boy was choking to death, sent his brother into the kitchen for a sharp knife.

And while Tommy's father held him immobile on the couch, the doctor used the knife, a nine-inch blade of the common kitchen variety, to slit the boy's throat near the windpipe, allowing him to breathe.

Record Quake

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 20.—A violent earthquake 4,300 miles from here was recorded at 11:31 a. m. 2:31 p. m. (EST) today by the California Institute of Technology.

Operators Split On Mine Talks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Long-standing differences between northern and southern coal operators flared anew yesterday and presented the possibility the United Mine Workers would have to negotiate separate contracts.

While northerners showed some inclination to renew negotiations for a contract immediately, the southerners decided to wait until a court decision is handed down on the union's appeal against the injunction.

The southern operators, in breaking away from the national wage negotiating committee of the operators, talked of hopes for Wagner Act changes when Congress meets and that the Supreme Court would bar inclusion of mine foremen in the UMWA.

Morgenthau Greets Arriving Refugees

Former Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., greeted 841 refugees and displaced persons who arrived on the S. S. Marine Marlin yesterday.

He said the arrival "is one more instance of the continued strength of the great tradition of asylum for the oppressed, which helped to build America."

The immigrants, mostly concentration camp survivors, were the largest group to arrive from the American-occupied zone.

'Tain't Fair, Says Wealthy Texas Widow

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—A wealthy Texas widow charged today that her new husband liquidated her estate, then took her furniture and a quarter-million dollars with him when he returned to his former wife.

Mrs. Mamie McElroy Barton, 55, of El Paso, Tex., filed two suits against her husband, Fred Barton, 60, and his former wife, Ashia Barton.

THE ZIONIST world congress expelled U. S. publisher William B. Ziff, self-styled spokesman for the Palestine underground.

W. VA. MINERS ASK LEWIS TO ACCEPT CIO UNITY CALL

Special to the Daily Worker

FAIRMOUNT, W. Va., Dec. 20.—The Marion County miners Legislative Committee at a meeting here shortly after the mine strike was called off, sent a wire to John L. Lewis urging him to accept Philip Murray's proposal for AFL-CIO-Railroad Brotherhoods unity against the anti-labor offensive.

The committee consists of rank-and-file members of some dozen locals of the United Mine Workers in this area. It was built around the political campaign to re-elect Senator Harley Kilgore. Its work continued despite efforts of some UMWA officials to have it dissolved.

The committee also heard representatives of locals of the CIO's United Steelworkers and United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers in this area, and invited them to join the legislative committee with the miners.

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NEW YORK

WHN Drops Johannes Steel; More Liberals Face Axe

The shape of things to come in commercial radio was evidenced this week when Station WHN announced that another liberal commentator—Johannes Steel—will go off the air next Friday. Other news analysts under pressure by political and big business groups

are J. Raymond Walsh on WMCA, William S. Gaffner, WHN, and Raymond Swing, American Broadcasting Co. Sponsors will continue only with such men as H. V. Kaltenborn and Fulton Lewis Jr., men who will follow their own reactionary line.

Steel, however, is planning to return to the air soon. He has asked his radio listeners to subscribe to the "Johannes Steel Report on World Affairs," a newsletter which will carry his own commentary on world news as well as those of other liberal analysts. He plans to sell 20,000 subscriptions at \$5 each, money to be used to sponsor his own show on the air.

"This is an opportunity for the people to take over radio and insure an accurate, unbiased report of the news," Steel said.

Steel has been carried without a sponsor by WHN for the past year, but the station announced they were replacing him with a musical program.

'Fixer' Trial Next Tuesday

Attorneys for Alvin J. Paris, 28, Broadway gambler who is under a two-count indictment charging he attempted to bribe two New York Giant football players to throw last Sunday's championship match with the Chicago Bears, today were given until Tuesday to prepare for his trial in General Sessions Court.

Judge Saul Streit rejected the pleas of Caesar Barra and William Breslin, Paris' attorneys, for more time to prepare their defense and warned them to be ready for trial when the case is called Tuesday.

Paris, meanwhile, was held in the Tombs prison without bail at the request of the district attorney's office which said it feared for his life if he should be released.

Only Short Beers for Midget, Judge Rules

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The legal drinking capacity of a midget is six to eight beers, but they must be short ones, a judge ruled today.

Traffic Judge Michael Tremko decided a midget was entitled to that much beer—but no more—when Lester Landrus, 45, four-foot, six inch midget clown, appeared before him on a charge of drunken driving.

The Fight for Airwaves

An Editorial

MORE than a year ago, the National Association of Manufacturers initiated a systematic campaign to take over the air waves.

The might and power of Big Business was thrown into the drive to sew up the radio for reaction as tightly as journalism and other propaganda channels have been sewed up.

It is only too evident that the drive is succeeding. In recent weeks, liberals like Frank Kingdon, John Vandercook, Orson Welles, Robert St. John have been driven off the air. Johannes Steel is due to go next week.

At the same time the fascist rats, the purveyors of race hate, of labor-baiting, of atomic war—people like Upton Close—are coming back after having been chased off by a people determined to crush Hitler and all he stood for.

One big reason for the NAM's success is that the liberal and labor organizations have failed to take a hand in the situation. They have allowed the liberal commentators to be driven off and the Close crowd to come back in without a fight.

Let's end this indifference and fight back.

4,000 LOCAL 65 MEMBERS PICKET N. Y. MERCHANDISE CO.

Four thousand members of Wholesale and Warehouse Workers, Local 65, yesterday noon turned out for a "Christmas picket line" that stretched along the entire block on 23 St., from Fifth Ave. to the Avenue of the Americas.

Their target was the New York Merchandise Co., 40 W. 23 St., whose 100 employees are in the tenth week of their strike.

The picket line put emphasis on

the rejection of an unsatisfactory offer by a secret 105 to 9 ballot of the striking workers.

Leaders of Local 65 who directed the peaceful hour-long march of pickets, said the fight will be pressed to a winning conclusion no matter how much it takes to do it. They pointed to more than \$3,000 brought to the picket line by shop stewards of Local 65 plants for Christmas.

SUBS GROW IN BROOKLYN

SPEEDING TO THE GOAL ON KINGS HIGHWAY

A young fellow recently walked into the headquarters of the Kings Highway section of the Communist Party, in Brooklyn, with a listful of subscriptions to The Worker in one hand and his own membership application for the CP in the other.

His work soon turned out to be a spur to other members of the section, and yesterday they reported they already have 450 of the subs they pledged to bring in by Jan. 31.

Their new goal is to have 630 of them in by Monday night, when the section membership will meet at Aperia Manor on Kings Highway to hear John Gates, a member of the CP's national committee.

In their competition with Flatbush, the section is asking a pledge of one sub by Monday evening from 250 of its 1,000 members, and if the section's two star sub-raisers, Gertrude Mendelsohn and Monus Weinstein, have anything to do with it—and they will—the job'll be done.

Millionaire By Mistake

BEAUMONT, Tex., Dec. 20.—James Carter today has returned \$500,000 to a bank which gave him the money only last week.

Carter, a former service station

operator, left Beaumont for a trip to Chicago. He obtained from a Beaumont bank five \$100 cashier's checks.

He sought to cash one of the \$100 checks in Decatur, Ill., then discovered it was made out for \$100,000. All the checks he discovered were made out for \$100,000.

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FLASH... RELEASE...
MORE COMING...!

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Henry "here's" Morgan and Dorothy Parker will M.C. Sam "Joan of Lorraine" Wanamaker will star in Norman "Big Road" Rosten's "Cantata of the Spanish Underground" with an original score by Henry Brant. Zero Mostel, Alfred Drake, John Latouche, Avon Long and Marie Bryant, Dorothy Johnson, Minerva ("Mrs. Nussbaum") Pious, Susan Reed, Earl Robinson and His Guitar, George Kleinsinger and his piano. Out of Hollywood, J. Edward Bromberg. Out of the new "Street Scene," Sheila Bond and Danny Daniels. And the always wonderful Juanita Hall. From the Roxy Stage, Lee Sherman and Beatrice Seckler. All the stars of Uptown and Downtown Cafe Society. . . . And from the trenches of Spain and the foxholes of World War II, the Lincoln Brigade Chorus singing the songs they sang in Spain . . . and of course, Kilroy will be there. . . . And this is only the beginning, watch for future ads.

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Change the World

'Henry Had to See Capitalism With His Own Pair of Eyes'

By Mike Gold

SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE only what they see. Capitalism is an economic system. Can anybody see a "system" with his own eyes as he can a Mack truck, an apple pie, or that dachshund near the lamppost?

Of course, not. All the average guy ever sees is his daily job, his wife, his neighborhood movie. Where does capitalism come in?

I have an old friend about whom I have written in this column at times. Let's call him "Henry Dubb." He is an excellent auto mechanic.

Henry is the father of five kids. The guy is pale as a ghost from carbon monoxide. His doctor warns him against too many pneumonia attacks; it might lead to TB. But Henry remains staunchly Republican and Daily News.

FOR YEARS I have carefully hinted to this decent if slave-minded \$40-a-week American, that capitalism smells on ice.

He has never believed me. "J. P. Morgan or Henry Ford work for their money, just like you and me. How do you get off to call them capitalists?" Henry indignantly replies. "That's not nice to call a man names, when all he does is work for his living like you and me."

And so on. In every Bowery flophouse, there are unshaven, homeless citizens who defend the rights of millionaires.

In any American corner saloon or tenement flat you will find chivalrous paupers tonight who would die for "free enterprise" would die for "free enterprise."

Henry was like that for 30 years. I say WAS, because he has just had an awful shock. It has leaked a few dangerous doubts into the vacuum chamber of his Republican-capitalist mentality.

SEEMS THAT a rich guy bought one of those big army amphibians, half-auto, half-boat, at a surplus sale. He wanted a good mechanic to drive it out to his estate on Long Island Sound, to adjust it, test it in the water, instruct the owner as to driving, etc.

Henry never handled one of these "ducks" but knowing himself for a crack machinist, took the job. He was getting fifty bucks for the weekend, big money.

So he drove the "duck" out to the estate. He arrived at night and was fed a tremendous supper in the servants' dining hall. After that he was handed silk pajamas by a servant and conducted into a fancy bed, like he'd seen only in a Hollywood movie.

The servant casually placed beside his bed a tray containing bottles of Scotch, rye and other liquors, as well as ice cubes and soda water in silver containers.

"IF THERE ARE any other drinks you want, cocktails or anything, just ring," said the flunkey.

Next day Henry ate an enormous breakfast with the help. They all seemed anxious to tell him about the rotten swine they had to work for. The cook showed him three enormous refrigerators stuffed with hundreds of pounds of choice steaks, chops, pheasants, turkeys, etc.—besides mountains of cream, butter, eggs, vegetables.

"The best stuff a million dollars can buy on the black market," said the cook, a nice Swedish lady with rosy cheeks. "And we are supposed to cook three full meals every day, whether anybody ever comes to eat or not. We throw out enough good food here every day to feed a hundred hungry French or Italian kids for a year. It makes me sick."

Such talk shocked Henry. He went out to work on the "duck." As he was messing around, the millionaire came out with some guests. They laughed, chattered and kept on consuming whisky and drinks.

All day Henry had to dodge servants with trays offering him drinks every moment. The guests were dizzy and wild with booze by noon. They piled into the "duck," male and female, when he took her down for the first spin in the water.

They almost capsized Henry. He got so mad he went back to land, and had to be offered an extra twenty-spot to take her out again.

THEY KEPT BOOZING day and night. They were served mountains of the finest food Henry had ever seen. They rejected it in contempt and it went into garbage cans.

There was a little 10-year-old boy that won Henry's heart. He was the poor little rich boy of the establishment and had no friends but the servants. The kid followed Henry around like a starved little pup. He cried when he left. Henry felt like kidnapping the kid.

Henry was offered another fifty to remain over the Monday but he refused. He was sick of the heartless waste and riot and general worthlessness of capitalism—a thing he had now seen with his own eyes.



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UN Assembly Balance Sheet

- Some Progress Won for Peace
- Power Bloc Shows Weaknesses

By James S. Allen

IN THE SESSION of the General Assembly just concluded, progress was made on some points, as on disarmament, Spain and the rebuke to South Africa on racial discrimination. Although action on these matters was by no means final, steps in the proper direction were taken.

On other important questions, decisions were either negative or entirely unsatisfactory from the viewpoint of a democratic peace.

On such an immediately urgent matter as food relief, the United States had its way in preventing an international fund for this purpose. The Anglo-American position was maintained with respect to refugees. On both questions the position was rejected of those countries most in need of food and also most concerned with the return of the war refugees.

WHILE THE DISARMAMENT resolution, adopted as a result of constant Soviet pressure, committed all the major world powers to prepare a plan, the Soviet proposal for the immediate survey of troops and bases abroad was rejected. In this manner, the Anglo-American bloc evaded an accounting of their most obvious imperialist actions.

The well-organized "small nations" attack on the veto crumbled during the first days of the Assembly, when it became apparent that the United States would not join in a frontal assault upon it. On the other hand, the attack was met only half-way and without enthusiasm by Britain and the United States, which continued to press for abolition of the veto in respect to the control of atomic energy.

ON OTHER MATTERS involving the founding principles of the United Nations, the decisions on trusteeship were most important. The Trusteeship Council was set up on the basis of agreements that amount to the outright annexation of mandated territories by the present powers in control of them.

The basic Charter provisions for collective trusteeship and advancement of independence went by the board. Concerned with the more mundane task of annexing the Pacific Islands, the United States joined other colonial powers in crippling trusteeship beyond recognition.

On the fringe of the colonial problem, certain victories were won against the imperialist powers. Smuts was defeated in his demand for annexation of South-west Africa by South Africa, although this may yet be attained through the kind of trusteeship agreements now in vogue.

Approval of the Soviet motion for convening regional conferences of non-self-governing peoples where they could express their aspirations, may offer a means for bringing additional pressure upon imperialism.

IN ATTEMPTING a balanced appraisal of the Assembly session, it is necessary to avoid a certain formal approach, which unfortunately is still too prevalent.

Some people discount the United Nations entirely as a positive force for peace, while others tend to view it as the absolute guarantee of peace. The latter are sometimes prone to heights of optimism or depths of despair, depending upon the ups or downs of cooperation at the United Nations.

Both erroneous positions can be avoided if the United Nations is viewed realistically as a product of the ever-changing relation of world forces. It is an arena of combat for peace, where non-imperialist and democratic nations seize every opportunity to bridle aggression and reaction, and to change the situation in favor of a democratic, stable peace.

To date, every United Nations gathering, including the recent General Assembly, has shown that the Anglo-American bloc is still able to dominate, although this becomes ever more difficult. The latest Assembly session is especially notable for the temporary breaking down of this power bloc, or concessions forced from it, on separate questions such as disarmament (admittedly only a bare beginning), Spain and South Africa.

Despite dire predictions that the Assembly would break down on the rocks of new war preparations, a certain bridling of the warmongers and disruptors took place. The Soviet Union strengthened its position of moral leadership for a democratic peace.

WORTH REPEATING

Karl Marx in an article on India in the New York Herald, Aug. 8, 1853: "The Indians will not reap the fruits of the new elements of society scattered among them by the British bourgeoisie till in Great Britain itself the now ruling classes shall have been supplanted by the industrial proletariat, or till the Hindoos (Indians) themselves shall have grown strong enough to throw off the English yoke altogether. At all events, we may safely expect to see, at a more or less remote period, the regeneration of that great and interesting country."—From the Handbook of Marxism, P. 192, International Publishers.

— Press Roundup —

Times Likes Spartan Life—For Workers

THE TIMES which fought against the Full Employment bill is happy about the report of the Council of Economic Advisers. It sees the report as merely formulating executive programs to deal with economic problems that are now scattered among several government agencies. That's the kind of report the Council handed down. According to the Times, the Council avoids "Spartan" fatalism regarding crisis, and the "Roman" concept of bread and circuses, meaning such things as public works. What the Times really is happy about is that the report prescribes a Roman holiday of Big Business and a spartan life for the workers.

THE HERALD-TRIBUNE sees Farley emerging as a leader of the Democratic Party.

THE NEWS's columnist O'Donnell picks the future president of the United States from among the following hopefuls. Says he, Stassen is out and Taft is stronger than Bricker. Dewey will go into the '48 convention as top man with Taft second. A compromise may be a Pacific and New England ticket, according to Iron Cross John, with Warren of California and Lodge of Massachusetts. And if the professionals can't divide the honors among the boys, the candidate in uniform who leads the field is, you guessed it, MacArthur.

THE MIRROR'S Drew Pearson keeps the ghost of Hitler smiling with the remark that the iron curtain is so heavy over the Soviet Union that the Soviet Union "many Russians don't even know the American Army and Navy participated in the war against Japan."

THE WORLD - TELEGRAM's model of a unionist is mossback Charles J. MacGowan, president of the AFL Brotherhood of Boiler-makers, Iron Shipbuilders and Helpers, because he has come forward with suggestions to change present labor laws. The Telly says labor leaders are trying to "cling to their special privileges, just as the Wall Street operators, railroad monopolists and tycoons of industry tried to cling to theirs a few years ago." A few years ago?

THE SUN tells city authorities that more than a shake-up in the Police Department is needed to settle the Scottoriggio case in such a way as to satisfy the Sun.

THE POST'S letter column carries a letter objecting to Victor Riesel's okay of Bevin's "good ideas." The reader asks whether by "good ideas" Riesel means his Palestine policy, his get tough with Russia program, his glad-handing Franco and his support of Greek monarchists.

PM's columnist Max Lerner says Republicans are looking to 1948 as the Year of the Sure Thing and that contestants for the Job must first kill each other off. He lists them as Dewey, Vandenberg, Stassen, Bricker, Taft, Warren and MacArthur.



Queen of the Roses:

Norma Christopher, 18, who beautifies the Pasadena Junior College campus, has been named queen of the Tournament of Roses. She'll preside as Illinois meets UCLA New Year's Day—another reason for the boys to "get in there and fight!"

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Peace "Breaking Out"?

THERE is a new scare among some newspaper writers. They fear that "peace may break out."

They are plainly worried that the UN and Big Four ministers' discussions are leading to some kind of peace settlement. They hadn't planned it that way. They had talked up the possibility—and the necessity—of an imminent war between the USA and the Soviet Union.

They had seen such a war as giving them a big chance not only to build up a new world American empire, but also the chance to bring a kind of military fascism to the United States.

Now it seems that "peace is breaking out," with the allegedly insoluble difficulties getting solved, thanks to the stubborn determination of the USSR to block the war-mongers.

Faced with this alarming turn of affairs, the war talkers are dishing up the explanation that it was the change from the FDR friendship policy to the "get-tough" policy which did the trick. Major George Fielding Eliot, for example, has been arguing this way.

But the opposite has been true. It was the welching on the Roosevelt pacts by the Truman government, whipped along by the Republican Party, which imperilled the peace settlement when the war was won. Otherwise, the FDR agreements had already laid the basis for a firm and democratic peace.

The introduction of the "get-tough" line was fought by FDR while leading the nation into the American-Soviet alliance against Hitler and Japan. His chief foe in the Senate was none other than Sen. Vandenberg, who was later given the reins of the USA foreign policy. "Get tough" with Russia, as advocated by the Vandenberg, would have lost us the war, or at least, terrifically delayed our victory.

Had the "get-tough" line not been challenged after the war in the USA, and in Britain as well, by the progressive and peace forces, there would be a more dangerous situation for the country today than there is.

When such Americans as Wallace, Pepper and others, and such Britishers as the 150 Labor Party members of parliament, challenged the "get-tough" line as spelling disaster, the tide turned somewhat. The brass hats and monopolists itching for war profits and conquest had to back down a bit. Coupled with the refusal of Europe or the rest of the world to get panicky in the face of the new Pound-and-Dollar threat, this compelled a retreat by the war-mongers.

But there are certain happenings which point to the need for a continued alertness by American public opinion.

An American general yesterday lectured the army on how they must learn to wage war across the North Pole. President Truman has appointed a committee to study universal military training and a permanent draft. These are straws in the wind which indicate the continuing influence in Washington of the planners of another world war.

The same public pressure which balked the "get-tough" gang in the past few months will have to be exerted to keep them from fouling up the newly-won gains for a democratic peace settlement.

A Crime

THE federal grand jury which was investigating the lynch massacre of two Negroes and their wives down in Monroe, Ga., has closed up shop.

"Can't find out who did it," they calmly report.

To us, this cynical whitewash of the 20 or so murderers of that county is as shameful as the gruesome murder itself.

Four families control the plantation county where the murders were committed last July 25. Everyone knows the leading lights of that half-slave area. Everyone knows who would be in on a mass killing like that.

The facts are available. The trail of blood is wide and easy to follow. What has been missing is the will to smash down the wall of "white supremacy" savagery behind which the facts are hidden.

If the government at Washington rests content with this whitewash, public opinion will know what its reasons are. The law-enforcement agencies will share in the guilt.

LIGHT AND SHADOW



Letters From Our Readers

Rob Hall Column
A Humdinger

New York, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

December 16th's column by Rob Hall was a humdinger. Here was a very serious subject discussed, and interspersed throughout were highly gratifying and human elements that gave the column the atmosphere so necessary in our paper today.

If you can continue to publish along lines such as this column represents, we shall read the Daily Worker from the first page to the last.

M. STONE

Paper That
Speaks for the People

Bronx, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

Although I am not a member of the Communist Party I receive your paper regularly. It is the Worker more than any other newspaper which speaks for the people.

The features in the paper meet my approval, especially Peter Cacchione's and Mike Gold's columns. Your fine handling of the Freeport case made me want to do everything possible to help build the Worker.

N.G.

Offers Solution for
Tenement Perils

New York
Editor, Daily Worker:

The DW's articles and stories on the tenement fire disaster in Washington Heights were excellent. It is a monstrous crime to have happened in the so-called greatest civilized community in the world. It happened because the people are negligent in demanding their social rights and the city government is apathetic toward the elimination of poverty-ridden slums.

This catastrophe will be forgotten and it will happen again unless tenants organize to force decent housing from the city, and to resist rent increases by the greedy landlords who profit out of human misery.

IRATE CITIZEN.

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible. Please include full name and address with your letters. We will withhold names upon request.

One-at-a-Time Dangers

by George Morris

THE DANGERS OF a "one-at-a-time" strategy in the wage fight now under way, were stressed at the recent three-day session of the Communist Party's

National Committee. In that respect the costly experience last year due to lack of coordination among the CIO's major unions and the absence of cooperation between the CIO and AFL

was recalled. Coordination at least among the CIO's "Big Three" unions was viewed in labor secretary John Williamson's report as

the "minimum" to be hoped for. It is also apparent, both from the political and economic situation today, that labor can less

afford now to repeat the mistakes of a year ago. Speakers pointed to numerous factors to show that the fight for a raise is today much more difficult, and will require far more effective organization, unity and educational work among the public.

DEVELOPMENTS SINCE the National Committee meeting point to some progress in the right direction. The CIO's "Big Three" have met at Pittsburgh and, apparently, have agreed on measures to at least minimize differences in wage and other demands and avoid any "jumping the gun" that may prejudice the entire wage struggle. Murray's proposal for CIO - AFL - Railroad Brotherhood unity stems from the same outlook.

A very important unifying factor is the report on a "Wage Policy for 1947" prepared for the CIO by Robert R. Nathan Associates. Its basic conclusion, that industry could raise wages generally by 25 percent without a price boost, is a "guidepost" for all CIO unions, Murray suggested.

All these tendencies toward unified action are very important because the employers are always in search of a possibility of dividing labor and breaking through with a contract to their benefit. They sought to exploit the General Motors strike last year and thereby caused great hardship to the 175,000 workers. They similarly held the Westinghouse Workers on strike for months in a belief that those workers might crack and settle for less than the 18½ cents "pattern."

JOINT ACTION of labor does not necessarily mean joint action for a strike. Discussion at the

National Committee meeting fully agreed with the objective of avoiding a strike. But, it was stressed, that does not mean that labor should slacken preparation for any eventuality, including strike. In fact, the better labor is prepared and united, the more chance there is of winning substantial raises without resort to strikes.

Preparation means more than shaping the union's machinery and finances for a struggle. No less important is the battle to win both the workers in the plants and the public generally. The employers are spending many millions in this battle of words. Their poison, that wage raises are the main cause of price increases, penetrates far, even among the workers who are most hard-pressed for raises. Labor's ability to match dollars and skillful education to win the public will be an important test in round two of the wage struggle.

In this respect, the Nathan report has furnished some valuable ammunition, such as evidence that the raises granted early this year could have been easily absorbed by industry without a rise in prices, and profits would have still been near the wartime high-water mark.

Nevertheless, even within the framework of the Nathan report there is danger of division and the employers foster such division through their propaganda. Some employers, while not taking issue on the general findings of the report, seize upon the "ability to pay" theory voiced by some in labor ranks to argue that their company is an exception, because its profits have not yet reached high levels. A New York Times editorial argued along that line. Another argument pleads for a limited increase, or no raise, on the theory that if reliance is put on increased production and a competitive effect on prices, the cost of living will go down.

The entire emphasis of the Communist Party's plenum was on the urgency of unity and the duty of Communists to expose every means employed by labor's foes to disunite union ranks. The maneuvers of employers and their propaganda are especially dangerous when lines form for a test of strength.

THE ONE BASIC aspect overlooked: that average earnings (Continued on Page 9)

British Coal Shortage Shuts Austin Car Plant

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., Dec. 20.—Britain's steadily-diminishing coal production will force indefinite shut-down of the Austin Motor Co. plants here, throwing approximately 15,000 employes out of work, it was announced today.

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AFL Hotel Workers Reject Red-Baiters

A clique of red-baiters was trounced when two membership meetings of Hotel Front Service Workers, Local 144 (AFL) gave an unanimous vote of confidence to the program and leadership of the union, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

Both meetings, with more than 1,300 attending were held at Palm Gardens on Thursday. They were the climax of a two-month sniping campaign launched by a group calling itself the "National Foundation for Hotel Employees" whose guiding spirit is former state Senator and notorious Bronx red-baiter, John J. McNaboe. The group consists of members of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists and some "Christian Front" elements.

But the great majority of the predominantly Irish-Catholic membership of the local expressed resentment at this effort to split and disrupt the fast-growing progressive union.

An expression of gratitude to the local's leadership, headed by John Steuben as secretary-treasurer and John Goodman as president, was the only point on the order of business.

Steuben, chief target of the "Foundation's" bulletpoints, reported on the record which included growth within a year from a membership of 4,000 to 5,000, wage raises for the period averaged 20 percent, and that the work was brought down to 40 hours, five days. The next major objective, Steuben told the meeting, is time and one-half for overtime.

Despite advance appeals to their followers to come to the meeting and challenge the local's leadership, the opposition caved in and showed little fight at the rallies. On a standing vote their few follow-

ers deemed it more advisable not to reveal their weakness.

The only issues in the sniping campaign are charges that the local's leaders are Communists. To this Steuben and the others cited the local's constitution which not only bars discrimination for membership in the Communist Party but protects a member's right to hold any political views he chooses.

The disruptive and slander activities of John J. Ryan, front man for the red-baiters, reached such a point that he was placed on charges. His group, with McNaboe as attorney, applied for an injunction on the grounds that the local's executive board has no right to try him, because it is "illegally" constituted. The "illegality" is charged on the claim that Steuben did not comply with constitutional requirements to hold office.

Judge Ferdinand Pecora, who heard the case, is expected to hand down his opinion next week.

Posed as General, Youth Nabbed by FBI

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 20.—A 22-year-old youth, posing as a Marine general, fooled department stores across the country to the tune of \$26,000, the FBI said today.

The masquerade was discovered when Calvin Lacey Moore, former University of California student, was arrested for using his "rank" to make credit purchases at a local store. Records on his person identified him as "General Moore," police said.

WHAT'S ON

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Today—Manhattan

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FUSIONAL: Viola Burrows, calypso singer and accompanist; folk balladeer at Club Solidarity's CP Youth Club. Pre-Christmas Dance, 3082 Hull Ave., Sat., Dec. 21. Food, drinks, continuous dancing. Sub. 65 cents. 8:30 p.m.

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Tomorrow Manhattan

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GENERAL YAKHONTOFF will speak at ALP Auditorium, 1223 Boston Road, Sunday, 2 p.m. Topic: "This Changing World." Auspices: Bronx Cultural Center.

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City CIO Backs National Convention Program, Internal Policy Statement

By Bernard Burton

In a serious, down-to-business session, the Greater New York CIO Council Thursday night backed the national convention's program for advancing the nation's welfare, appealed for local united labor action and affirmed CIO's internal policy statement on political interference.

First endorser of Secretary Saul Mills' convention report was Irving Potash, CIO Furriers Joint Council manager and national Communist leader. The popular New York la-

bor leader had been a delegate to the Atlantic City convention.

"I voted for the policy statement," he declared, "not because I considered it absolutely accurate insofar as my Party is concerned" but because he deemed it essential to preserve CIO's strengthening unity against the enemies of labor who were trying to split and destroy the organization.

DO BETTER

He asserted the "splitters" were defeated at the convention but some continue to raise "the false issue of Communism" in order to veer labor away from tackling "the real issues"—living wages, housing, organizing the unorganized and breaking the

stranglehold of profit-swollen monopolies.

Those who spend their time red-baiting, the trim, sandy-haired unionist stressed, "would do better to pay attention to the conditions of the workers in their industry." It seems, he added, that red-hunters "have no time for organizing and improving conditions."

"I invite you," he told the assembled representatives of 600,000 New York workers, "to compare wages in our union with those that don't follow the same policy of unity." He proudly cited the long, militant fight of the Furriers union which won wages and working conditions that are still a shooting mark for most workers

in other industries.

President of the Furriers is Ben Gold, outstanding Communist. Potash emphasized that the union's record was due to the policy of unity and full democracy which the Furriers have always practiced.

"Our job," he concluded amid warm applause, is to implement and back the CIO program, to carry "CIO president Murray's message for unity to the ranks of AFL workers."

At the conclusion of discussion, peppy Councilman Michael Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union and chairman of the meeting, endorsed president Murray's stand against witch-hunts and progressive measures.

Quill warned there is "no time for it, no time for side issues."

LEAVE IT TO BILBO

"Wages, hours, working conditions and homes for the homeless is the important job," he emphasized.

He said unionists should "leave

red-baiting to Rankin and Bilbo" and declared that if labor keeps fighting for the interests of all workers "we won't have time for Jew-baiting, red-baiting" or anything else designed to weaken the labor movement.

The question was called and the delegates unanimously endorsed Mills' recommendations which, in addition to endorsing the national convention program, called for support of the wage raise drive in steel, auto and electric, popularization of the Nathan report on wages, prices and profits, and united labor action.

On another point Mills sailed into a New York Times report which declared the State CIO had banned Albany demonstrations by the local council. He said the state body had not passed any restrictions on the local council and that his organizations had always followed the policy of clearing statewide action with the state body in accordance with CIO procedure.

Ask Unions To File for FM

Labor unions and community groups planning to establish Metropolitan or Class B broadcasting stations, were warned on the danger of delay by Eugene Konecky, chairman of the Committee for Democracy in Radio and author of the pamphlet "Monopoly Steals FM from the People." Konecky noted that only six months remain for labor unions, veterans, small business and community groups to file their applications for FM channels now reserved for allocation.

On July 1, 1946, Konecky pointed out, the Federal Communications Commission put into effect an order reserving, for a period of one year, 20 percent or one out of every five FM channels to be allocated to applicants for Class B stations. This order terminates on June 30, 1947. After this date FM channels will be available only to applicants who seek licenses for Class A or small community stations.

One-at-a-Time

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ings of ALL workers in the United States are today more than \$24 a week below the minimum decency budget for a family of four as found necessary by the highly reputed Heller Committee. There cannot be any consideration of "ability to pay" or "fair profit" allowance as long as wages are more than a third short of the minimum decency requirement.

American capitalism is today at the highest point of production and profits in its history. Reconversion is over and the groundless argument heard last year that labor should wait until production is in full swing does not apply any longer. Some industries producing "scarce" commodities, like radios, are already talking of oversupply and layoffs. Is it too much to demand that a worker get enough for a minimum decency budget regardless of any concept of "ability to pay" or what constitutes a "reasonable profit"?

If workers don't put this question now, they may not be able to do so next year on the excuse that we are in the midst of the "recession" which all economists guarantee we will have.

Workers quite generally are aware that they are in a race to catch a wage increase before a slump hits economy. The entire situation is a sad commentary on the capitalist system. Communists while taking an active part in the movement for at least a "decency budget" are also in a position to point out the limitation of improvements under capitalism. Never in capitalism's history were employers in a better position to give high wages; never the labor movement so strong; and yet, a "minimum decency budget" is still something to strive for.

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Ice Show Strikers Left Out in Cold

By William Allen

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—The 16 striking members of Sonja Henie's Hollywood Ice Revue had the back taken out of their fight for decent wages when the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) had them blacklisted, put on the "unfair list," and fired from the show. The skating chorines had been asking an additional \$20 a week increase in their expense money. The union tried to weasel out of its stab-in-the-back tactics by insisting they couldn't support a so-called "wildcat strike," and alleged that the Henie workers hadn't even informed the AGVA of their desire for a new wage contract.

But Ted Keep, spokesman for the 16 fired workers, refuted the union's statement by pointing out the skaters had informed the AGVA two weeks ago of their plans, had submitted a copy of their contract to the union.

"The AGVA has not only let us down," said Keeps yesterday, "but we all feel as if we'd been kicked in the face. The strikers' spokesman also added that the AGVA has never done anything good for ice-skate workers. Keep's blast was directed at Mr. Billy Grubbs, national representative of the union.

Here is how the group reckoned up their weekly expenses: meals, \$28 a week; hotel room, \$18 a week; cleaning and laundry, a minimum of \$5 a week. This totals \$51 a week. "Then there is street car or cab fare to the ice rinks, tips, the cost of having skates sharpened and a score of other things," said Clyde Cameron, one of the strikers. "You just cannot live on \$30 a week these days," said Betty Bogard of Los Angeles, "Your salary gets all eaten up."

The girls who are asking a \$20 weekly increase have showed me pay stubs for \$30 a week, plus \$35 for expenses. Considering their weekly expenses runs to over \$50, that means the fired workers were actually taking \$20 a week out of their own pockets to keep working.

One other important fact the youthful strikers talked about and that was that in the event of personal injury, the management is released from all obligation. And if you have ever watched these whirling, fast performances there is considerable danger of serious bodily harm, with no covering insurance or accident clauses in the contracts.

Here's an interesting sidelight to this affair. Every year the Old Newsboys Good Fellows Fund, a charity organization, holds a benefit to raise money to keep it going through the year, and several days ago they asked Sonja Henie to come down and entertain at their show. Miss Henie said she had a cold and couldn't make the trip downtown. The 16 fired skaters have offered their services to the benefit group.

The Ice Revue closes here tonight and moves to the Stadium in Chicago. It is expected that the labor and progressive forces there will have a word or two to say about such a deal as these youthful fighters against sweatshop conditions have been getting here.

ANOTHER VOTE FOR JACKIE

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PAULINE GLOTZER and MORRIS KUKLOWITZ

BILL MARDO

Will bring you the exciting blow-by-blow details of last night's title tilt between Ray Robinson and Tommy Bell. That plus all the ringside color... in tomorrow's Worker sports page.

Dambrot Draws Raves Galore

Irwin Dambrot is rapidly becoming the toast of the local basketball fandom. City College's gangling 18-year-old really arrived against Bowling Green Thursday night, netting 14 points and sparking the Beavers to their seventh straight win, 52-45, for those who are sticklers for facts.

Dambrot has moved up quickly in the three weeks of his freshman play. He advanced from the third team to a starting spot. And if anything clinched that varsity sport job for the somewhat clumsy though highly dependable kid from Taft High, it was his performance at the start of the second half. The Beavers had only a four point lead at intermission time. If Bowling Green could've gotten off fast after the rest period, the game might've taken a different turn. But Dambrot plopped through City's next eight points and that was all the lift City needed.

It was without doubt the finest show yet put on by Nat Holman's boys. They were fast as light, certainly matching Bowling Green's fast-break attack—and Dambrot's great play off the boards gave City the edge in that department, too. City's double-teaming of tall Mac Otten kept the B.G. offensive threat down to a minimum of 10 points.

But as all agreed, despite City's great show as a whole, it was Irwin Dambrot who was the big story. Even the usually understatement-minded Nat Holman let loose with the raves: "When Irwin reaches his senior year, developing as he has in these first few weeks, he'll be the best I've ever had. He has good hands, is colorful, has tremendous ability off the boards, a fine body and stamina and is able to score." Nat's only reservation was that Dambrot hasn't yet learned to "mesh" with the rest of the club. But that will come with experience, brother Holman agreed.

RADIO

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—News—Kenneth Banghart

WOR—Sports Question Box

WJZ—News; Jimmy Blair, Songs

WCBS—News; Harry Marble

WMCA—News; Music

WQXR—News; Music to Remember

6:15-WNBC—Navy Recruiting Service

WOR—Guest House

WJZ—Chilton Trio

WCBS—Columbia Workshop

6:25-WQXR—Here, There in New York

6:30-Boston Tune Party

WOR—News; Fred Vandevanter

WJZ—Harry Wismer, Sports

WMCA—Racing Results

WQXR—Dinner Concert

6:45-WNBC—Religion in the News

WOR—Sports—Stan Lomas

WJZ—Labor—U. S. A.

WCBS—Larry Lauer, News

WMCA—Sports Resume

7:00-WNBC—Our Foreign Policy

WOR—Gus Who—Quiz

WJZ—Voice of Business

WCBS—Patti Clayton, Songs

WMCA—News; Music

WQXR—News; Concert Stage

7:15-WJZ—Elmer Davis, News

WCBS—Jean Sablon, Songs

WMCA—Interview With a Star

7:30-WNBC—Curtain Time—Play

WOR—Arthur Hale

WJZ—Curt Massey Show

WCBS—Vaughn Monroe Show

WMCA—News Reports

WQXR—Memorable Moments

SPORTS

Pick Wildcats to Claw Redmen Tonite

Unbeaten Kentucky comes into the Garden tonight to engage St. John's, and many folks believe that after the engagement is finished, Joe Lapchick's lads will have lost their second game of the season. The erratic Blackbirds from LIU tangle with Tennessee in the opener.

Kentucky is rated by many as the No. 1 team in the nation, and comes into New York with several winning streaks on the line. The team has won 23 straight, eight in a row this season, and their last five Garden appearances. The Wildcats haven't been beaten since Notre Dame handed them a setback last January. Adolph Rupp's boys have looked terrific this year in racking

WE PICK:

Kentucky over St. John's.
LIU over Tennessee.
(Our record: 15 out of 16)

up their eight wins. They've averaged 70 points—and beat Idaho by 30 points, DePaul by 20, Cincinnati by 31 and Texas A. and M. by 64! Kentucky has held rivals to a 36-per-game average.

The team that beat St. John's 73-59 here last year and later went on to win the National Invitation Tourney, is practically intact this season. Eight of the first 10 players are back.

For his starting team Rupp could pull five names out of a hat and come up with a formidable combination, but he has been opening up with Jack Tingle, an old Garden favorite, and Joe Holland as forwards; Alex Groza center, and Ralph Beard and Ken Rollins as guards. Last year's ace, Jim Jordan, hasn't even been able to make the first team.

Joe Lapchick will go along with his big hope, Harry Boykoff and his four other usual starters, Frank Frascella, Dick McGuire, Lennie Doctor and Frank Sebest. "We'll be in there with a pass, a shot and a prayer," remarked Joe.

Tennessee, paying its sixth visit to the Garden, has five pre-war stars back, including Center Dick Mehen.

But LIU is said to be fighting mad over its one-point loss to tough Texas earlier this week, and out to revenge its lone setback

Hank Did Pretty Good For an Oldie

Hank Greenberg, powerful Detroit Tiger first baseman, salvaged a generous share of American League batting honors with a late-season drive in 1946 which won him the coveted runs-batted-in title for the fourth time in his 12-year career, official statistics revealed yesterday.

The 35-year-old Greenberg, reported contemplating retirement, drove in 127 runs, four more than runner-up Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox. Greenberg also led both leagues in home runs with 44.

Outside of Greenberg and Williams, only three American Leaguers drove in 100 or more runs last season. They were Rudy York of Boston with 119, Bobby Doerr of Boston, 116, and Charley Keller of the New York Yankees, with 101. Greenberg's total was 16 better than the 111 Nick Eiten of the Yanks drove in to win the 1945 title.

Grid Body Formed For Cuba, Canada, Mexico and U. S.

HAVANA, Cuba, Dec. 19. (UP).—Delegates to the North American Football Congress announced today that plans had been completed for the formation of a North American Football Confederation with the United States, Cuba, Canada and Mexico as members.

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Buffalo Bill: HEIGHTS, Wadsworth and 181 St. Sat-Sun.

Charlie Chaplin Festival and Room Service: LYRIC, 42 St. and Broadway. Wed.-Sun.

Claudia and David: LOEW'S CANAL, Tues.-Wed. ART, 36 E. Eighth St., Sat.-Mon. LOEW'S, 42 St., Sun.-Mon. NEW AMSTERDAM, 42 and Broadway, today and all next week.

Cloak and Dagger: COLONY, Second Ave. and 79 St., Tues.-Thurs.; WAVERLY, Ave of Americas and Third, Sat.-Mon.; GREENWICH, 12 St. at Greenwich Ave., Sat.-Mon.; TOWN, 55 and Ninth Ave., Sun.-Mon.; SCHUYLER, Columbus Ave. and 84 St., Sat.-Tues.; CARLTON, Broadway at 100 St., Sun.-Mon.

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Holiday in Mexico: COLONY, Second Ave. and 79 St., Sat.-Mon.; ELGIN, Eighth Ave., and 79 St., Sun.-Mon.; HEIGHTS, Wadsworth and 181 St., Wed.-Sat.

The Killers: GRAMERCY PARK CINEMA, Sun.-Wed.; PLAZA, 58 and Madison, Sat.-Wed.; SEL-

WYN, 42 St. W. of B'way, Sat.-Sun.; BEACON, B'way at 74 St., Tues.-Sat.; RIVIERA, B'way at 97 St., Tues.-Sun.; LANE, 181 & St. Nicholas Ave., Sat.-Mon.

Lady Vanishes: FLX, 42 & B'way, Sun.-Wed.

Last Chance and Seventh Veil: CITY, 14 St., Wed.-Thurs.

Life Dances On: APOLLO, 42 St., Sat.-Tues.

Long Voyage Home: MIDTOWN, B'way & 99 St., Mon.-Tues.

M, the Kidnaper: THALIA, 95 St. & B'way, Sat.-Mon.

Monsieur Beaucaire: SUTTON CINEMA, 57 & 2d Ave., Tues.-Thurs.

Night in Casablanca: TIMES, 42d & 8th Ave., Thurs.-Fri.; SCHUYLER, Columbus Ave. & 84 St., Wed.-Fri.

Night Train: SUTTON CINEMA, 57 St. & 2d Ave., Sat.-Mon.; 8TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, Tues.-Thurs.

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Of Mice and Men: LOEW'S COM-MODORE, Tues.

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Pride of the Marines: ALDEN, B'way & 67 St., Tues.-Wed.

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Story of Martha Ivers: EDISON, B'way at 103 St., Sat.-Mon.

Thirty Nine Steps and Prisoner of Zenda: HEIGHTS, Wadsworth & 181 St., Mon.-Tues.

This Land of Mine and Three on a Weekend: MIDTOWN, B'way & 99 St., Sat.-Sun.

Thunder Rock: BEACON, B'way & 74 St., Sun.-Mon.

Turning Point: IRVING PLACE THEATER, Sat.-Thurs.

Wuthering Heights, EDISON, B'way & 103 St., Tues.-Wed.

BROADWAY THEATERS

Best Years of Our Lives—ASTOR.

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Henry V—GOLDEN.

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Jericho—55TH ST. PLAYHOUSE.

Magnificent Doll—CRITERION.

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The Overlanders—RIALTO.

The Taras Family—STANLEY.

(Starting next Saturday the Movie Guide will include Brooklyn, Bronx and Queens.)



Vladimir Drushnikov and Tamara Makarova in a scene from 'Stone Flower,' new Soviet color film based on an ancient Russian legend, coming to the Stanley Theatre, Dec. 28.

BRIEFS

The third in the new series of political and satirical cabaret shows called *Satire Matinee—Something New on Sunday Afternoons* will be presented this Sunday at Cafe Society Downtown at 2:45 p.m. under the auspices of Stage for Action. Produced by John Randolph and directed by Mendi Brown, with music under the supervision of Irma Jurist, Sunday's Xmas show will feature well-known comedienne Imogene Coca and Will Geer, who was last seen as leading man of *On Whiffman Avenue*. To be introduced for the first time are parodies on the present political situation by songwriters Mel Tolkin of *Never Kill Your Mother on Mother's Day* and Paul Secon.

O'Neill Play in Washington Heights

AN, *Wilderness*, the first of Eugene O'Neill's plays to be presented this season by the Equity Library Theatre, will open at the Fort Washington Branch Library on 179th St. December 26, at 8:30 p.m., and run through December 28, with a matinee December 27.

Ben Field Speaks On Literary Problems

The Progressive Forum will feature Ben Field, author of *Piper Tompkins*, tonight (Saturday) at 8:30, 13 Astor Pl. Mr. Field, a member of Contemporary Writers, will speak on some of the problems which face the progressive novelist. Admission is 50 cents.

Hot Notes

Some Worthy Jazz In New Disc Albums

By Lawhon Milford

Disc Company of America (formerly Asch Recordings) reminds me of one of those little restaurants of the dear, dead days beyond recall, that didn't have much on the menu, but everything they had was good.

Disc has shown superlative good taste in their classical, jazz, and oddment (spot recordings, of the Liberation of Paris, for example) selections. Their folk song section is excellent. Altogether Disc seems motivated by a desire to add to America's musical tradition. I sincerely trust that it is profitable.

Three Disc jazz albums now on the market are worthy of your consideration. Two of these albums are by mixed (that is, Negro and white musicians) combinations. True jazz musicians of all colors enjoyed playing together long before Benny Goodman, with rare and commendable good sense, began featuring outstanding Negro jazz musicians

in his band. However, these albums are just one more recorded proof of the fact that artificial separations on account of color lack any logical basis.

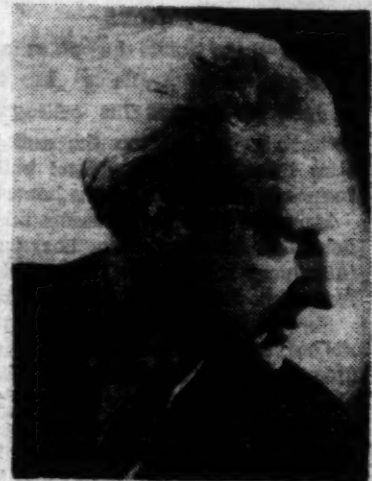
JAZZ ENSEMBLES

The first of these albums by "Pee Wee Russell's Jazz Ensemble" (Disc 632, \$3.15) includes Cliff Jackson, piano; Vic Dickenson, trombone; Bob Casey and Francis Palmer, bass; Joe Grauso, drums; and a trumpeter whose name is not revealed, but which can be guessed without very much effort. Pee Wee Russell, clarinet, has been playing jazz practically since anybody can remember.

His driving, shrill instrument can be heard on records from the days of Bix Beiderbeck, and he can still be heard at Nick's in New York almost any night. The rest of the gang have been around a good while, themselves. The trumpeter was the leader of a band that put on wax some of the best white band jazz ever recorded. The result of this Disc get-together is some fine jazz that can't be called Chicago and can't be called New Orleans either, but if you're like me, you're getting tired of these pigeonholes of classification anyway. This is good jazz. If you like it, get some.

FINE ARTISTS

The second of the albums is by a foursome, Pops Foster (bass) and Sidney Bechet (clarinet and soprano sax), Negro; Joe Sullivan (piano) and George Wettling (drums), white. These guys are also old timers. Bechet is one of the pioneers who brought jazz up from New Orleans; he was, and is, one of the finest jazz clarinet players of all time, with a style so distinctive that it is impossible to mistake him. Wettling has been playing a fine set of drums for a good, long time. Pops Foster has been on so many



Leopold Stokowski begins a four-week engagement with the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra the night after Christmas. The distinguished conductor, last heard with the Philharmonic five years ago during its centennial celebration, will direct from Dec. 26 through Jan. 19.

jazz recordings that his name is almost synonymous with bass. Joe Sullivan, is to my mind, one of the best white jazz band pianists.

In quadruplicate the boys turn out some mighty good jazz. I think the combination is a little heavy on the rhythm side (the piano is a rhythm instrument in a jazz band) and could have done with another melodic instrument. A couple of the records are Sullivan solos, and while he does an agreeable job, he shows off to better advantage with a band around him where he can break out of the band beat with a good fast piano decoration. This album is Disc 701 at \$3.93.

Slim Gaillard and Bam Brown team up on "Opera In Vout" (Disc 505, \$2.99) a delirious affair featuring Slim's guitar, Bam's bass, and both of them singing and clowning. Gaillard has been wowing audiences from coast to coast (you may remember Cement mixer, putti putti) with his dexterous double talk and his satire of jazz, classics, and anything else that happens to be handy.

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Phelps Dodge Strikers Indicted in N.J.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 20.—Sixteen indictments were handed down yesterday by the Union County Grand Jury against members of the CIO United Electrical and Radio Workers on charges growing out of the recent nine-months-old Phelps-Dodge strike. Total bail was fixed at \$26,000 this morning when the defendants were arraigned at Union County Court.

At the same time an indictment was handed down against Tony Anastasia, who led a strike-breaking crew. Anastasia, charged with atrocious assault and battery, was released on only \$2,500 bail.

Bail on individual UE members ranged from \$1,000 to \$6,000. Charges included riot, inciting to riot, assault and battery, inciting to violence and assault with intent to kill.

It was during the Phelps Dodge strike that Mario Russo, 26-year-old veteran and father of four, was slain. Upon the insistence of union

officials, a John Doe warrant was issued for the murderer of the UE member. The murderer has not yet been apprehended.

The indictments were handed down only a few days before the union will go to court in New York to seek enforcement of an agreement for the reinstatement of a number of veterans who participated in the strike.

Union officials declared that the indictments were part of a "company frame-up" against the union.

Negotiations for a new contract are scheduled for February, with the trial tentatively set for March 1.

The union posted bonds for the bail after defense counsel entered a strong protest against the large sums fixed.

James McLeish, UE District Four president, asserted that "the insistence of the prosecutor and the judge upon high bail to known residents of Elizabeth in the face of yesterday's action in respect to Anastasia emphasizes that this is a campaign against the union in a program to whitewash the Phelps Dodge Corporation for the murder of Mario Russo."

\$236 Million Budget Voted After Vigorous Council Debate

By Michael Singer

The City Council yesterday adopted the 1947 capital outlay budget of \$236,662,606.22 after a thorough debate on resolutions urging deletions of specific highway and park appropriations. These controversial items in the budget, all of which were adopted by none too heavy majorities, totalled nearly two and a half million dollars. Only Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs abstained.

The session was marked by many surprises. Vice-chairman of the council and its majority leader Joseph T. Sharkey stunned his Democratic colleagues by voting time and again with the minority on Moses-sponsored items and against the recommendations in the budget of Mayor O'Dwyer and the Board of Estimate.

Sharkey pulled no punches in describing the budget as a "fairly good one" but inadequately balanced for "the schools, hospitals and social services so vitally needed now." He agreed with Communist Councilman Peter V. Cacchione who heatedly denounced funds for "plans and designs" while veterans are homeless and "schools and hospitals in a chaotic condition."

Cacchione had earlier criticized the council for its laxity in not fighting more energetically to win social service funds and Sharkey backed him on that too, a stinger to his majority side. In the past Sharkey had staunchly defended his col-

leagues against similar charges by the minority.

The arguments on the budget items crossed party lines. Hugh Quinn, Queens Democrat, who led the assault on construction items in his borough, was backed by the Communist and ALP councilmen. Even Alfred J. Phillips, Queens Republican, had occasion to vote with his next-seat foe Quinn, a move which evoked applause. Liberal members Ira Palestin and Louis Goldberg split in their voting.

Minority leader Genevieve Earle and Stanley M. Isaacs voted together, sometimes with the minority, more often against it.

Isaacs explained his lone abstention on the adoption of the budget by declaring that while it was "indefinitely better" than previous budgets and was a credit to the Board of Estimate and the mayor, he felt it was still too "unplanned" to warrant his vote. He has taken similar stands in previous years.

Cacchione and Davis, in urging deletion of items that "were not for social services" warned against "promises" by high city officials to

delay highway construction until the housing crisis is over.

WARNS COLLEAGUES

Once those funds for plans and designs were available in the budget, he warned his colleagues, "what's going to stop the authorities from going ahead and building roads and tearing down homes?"

Here are the specific items urged deleted, but turned down. They were introduced both by Quinn and Quinn from opposite sides of the chamber.

For the Harlem River Drive, \$1,224,000; \$30,000 for an Oceanarium; \$100,000 for development of Soundview Park in the Bronx; \$200,000 for a bridge across Boston Road and Bronx River Parkway; \$95,500 for the Cross Bronx Expressway and the Major Deegan Highway; \$79,000 for the Queens Midtown Tunnel; \$580,000 for the Harlem River Speedway and \$40,000 for the Lower Manhattan Crosstown Expressway.

In addition, Davis and Quinn lambasted the expensive traffic program in the budget to cost \$700,000, of which \$500,000 is for a new plan. Already \$85,000 has been spent on the City Planning Commission traffic survey.

The budget shifts over \$21,000,000 from construction of highways to construction of schools and hospitals and libraries.

De Gasperi Due Here in January

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Italian Premier Alcide de Gasperi has accepted an invitation to visit the United States in January, a month before he will be called upon to sign the recently completed peace treaty for Italy, it was announced tonight.

Jazz Festival At Town Hall

An all-star group of Negro and white musicians will headline the Holiday Jazz Festival, which will be presented at Town Hall, 113 W. 43 St., next Saturday night, Dec. 28, beginning at 11:30 p.m. Among the well known artists who will participate are "Hot Lips" Page and Neal Heftle, trumpets; Charlie Ventura and Happy Cadwell, saxophone; Sid Catlett and George Jenkins, drums; Dinah Washington, known as "queen of the blues"; Chubby Jackson, bass; Tony Aless, piano and Billy Bauer, guitar.

'Stone Flower,' USSR Color Film Opens Dec. 28

Stone Flower, first Soviet feature film in full color, which won first prize as best color film at the International Cinema Festival at Cannes, will have its American premiere at the Stanley Theatre on Saturday, December 28.

Based on an old Russian folk legend from The Malachite Box, Pavel Bazhov's best-selling selection of traditional Russian tales, Stone Flower is the story of a young artist and his struggle to find relationship between the attainment of the ideal in art and the realities of life.

Stone Flower was directed by Alexander Ptushko, whose New Gulliver is well known both here and abroad, and stars Tamara Makarova and Vladimir Druzhnikov. It was produced by Mosfilm Studios in Moscow and Prague, and is released here by Artkino Pictures, Inc.



Spilling the Dope: Federal Narcotics Commissioner Dr. Harry J. Anslinger (right) tells the Senate War Investigating Committee that he okayed a request for a drug permit for a Mississippi drug addict when Sen. Bilbo (left) asked for it. The committee is checking reports from its special agents that show Bilbo had been paid \$1,500 by the addict, John Carr, to obtain morphine for him.

Senate Group Begins Drafting Bilbo Report

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A Senate investigating subcommittee today began drafting its report on the Bilbo story but reserved space for an unfinished chapter dealing with allegations Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo got \$1,500 for helping a narcotics addict get morphine.

Greek Relief Protests Arrest Of Its Leader

Robert St. John, in behalf of American Relief for Greek Democracy, yesterday released a protest from its sister organization in Greece against the arrest of its chairman Alcibiades Loulis. The protest was sent to the Greek government, and to the U.S., Great Britain, France, the Soviet Union and the UN.

The communication to the United States declares: "It is worth noting that the arrest of our chairman, Mr. Loulis, has taken place despite the assurance of the U. S. State Department to our sister organization, the 'American Relief for Greek Democracy,' that they are going to take appropriate steps to stop governmental persecutions."

Greek Royalist minister Constantin Tsaldaris conferred today with highest American officials, from President Truman down, and spent several hours with financial and economic experts, including Paul Porter recently named to head an American economic mission to Greece.

All but that phase of the subcommittee's inquiry into charges that the rotund Mississippian received gratuities from war contractors was completed Thursday night, along with Bilbo's denial of any wrongdoing.

Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.), left the door open for investigation of the narcotics charge when he asked the committee call, within the next 10 days, the two physicians and the addict himself to say whether Bilbo had received \$1,000 or more for helping arrange the morphine prescription.

Dr. H. J. Anslinger, chief of the U.S. Narcotics Bureau, revealed, and Bilbo subsequently confirmed, that the Senator had been instrumental in getting the prescription for John R. Carr of Natchez, Miss., in October, 1945.

But the Senator disagreed vehemently with Anslinger's story that he was informed by an internal revenue agent that Bilbo had received \$1,500 for this chore, representing Carr's life savings.

Ferguson said he was attempting to get committee agreement on resuming hearings Dec. 30, four days before the 80th Congress convenes. "It looks to me as if the Monday before New Year is the best date," Ferguson said.



KING MICHAEL of Romania reads speech opening the Parliament in Bucharest. The United States and Great Britain have still not recognized the new democratic government.

Barnard Rubin's 'BROADWAY BEAT' appears in the Daily Worker Monday through Friday.